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Mitchell, Rios, Senators Allen S, Bradley

### AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-915, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL FINANCE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2       Section 1. Section 15-915, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4           15-915. Correction of state aid or budget limit errors:  
5           definition

6       A. If the superintendent of public instruction determines that the  
7 calculation of state aid for a school district or charter school or the  
8 calculation of the school district's or charter school's budget limits ~~within~~  
9 ~~the previous three years did~~ DURING THE CURRENT YEAR DOES not conform with  
10 statutory requirements, the superintendent shall require correction of the  
11 errors as follows:

12       1. Corrections may be made in the current year or in the budget year,  
13 except that in case of hardship to the school district, the superintendent  
14 may approve corrections partly in one year and partly in the year after that  
15 year.

16       2. Errors in the calculation of state aid shall be corrected by  
17 increasing or decreasing the state aid to the school district or charter  
18 school in the year or years in which the correction is made.

19       3. Errors in the calculation of the school district's or charter  
20 school's budget limits shall be corrected at a public hearing by requiring  
21 the governing board to reduce or by allowing it to increase its budget by the  
22 amount of the correction to be made that year. Overbudgeting errors  
23 corrected as provided in this paragraph are exempt from section 15-905,  
24 subsections L and M. Not later than three days after the hearing and  
25 correction, the budget as revised shall be submitted electronically to the  
26 superintendent of public instruction. This paragraph shall not be construed  
27 to require a decrease in state aid not otherwise required by paragraph 2 of  
28 this subsection.

29       B. Subject to the review by the joint legislative budget committee,  
30 the superintendent of public instruction shall adjust state aid for a school  
31 district in the current year if the governing board of a school district  
32 requests the recalculation of state aid for a prior year due to a change in  
33 assessed valuation that occurred as the result of a judgment in accordance  
34 with section 42-16213.

35       C. Notwithstanding subsection A of this section, a school district or  
36 charter school may not make upward revisions to its average daily membership  
37 counts for a particular school year after June 30 of the subsequent school  
38 year.

39       D. For the purposes of this section, "state aid":

40       1. For school districts means state aid as determined in section  
41 15-971 and additional state aid as determined in section 15-972.

42       2. For charter schools means state aid as determined in section  
43 15-185.

44           Sec. 2. Effective date

45       This act is effective from and after June 30, 2019.